

**U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
POLLUTION REPORT****I. HEADING****Date:** January 19, 1998**Subject:** Bossert Manufacturing Site  
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START**POLREP NO. 13****II. BACKGROUND**

<b>Site No.:</b>	S7
<b>Delivery Order No.:</b>	2101-02-010
<b>Response Authority:</b>	CERCLA
<b>ERNS No.:</b>	N/A
<b>CERCLIS No.:</b>	NYD002249563
<b>NPI. Status:</b>	Non-NPL
<b>Action Memo Status:</b>	Approved on 9/26/97
<b>Start Date:</b>	9/30/97
<b>Demobilization Date:</b>	N/A
<b>Completion Date:</b>	N/A

### III. SITE INFORMATION

#### A. Incident Category

CERCLA incident category: Inactive Production Facility

#### B. Site Description

The Bossert Manufacturing Site (site) is an abandoned production facility located at 1002 Oswego Street in the City of Utica, Oneida County, New York. The Bossert facility was used for the stamping, weldment, and fabrication of sheet metal items such as brake backing plates and steel floor grates from 1896 until the mid-1980's. During its operation, PCB oils were utilized in transformers and in hydraulic presses used in the manufacturing process. As a result of past manufacturing practices and salvage operations at the site, interior surfaces on floors and walls of the facility, as well as machinery and other structures within the building, became contaminated with PCBs.

CERCLA funds have been activated to abate the threat to public safety and the environment. Activity will include the off-site disposal of approximately 3,500 cubic yards of PCB contaminated debris, asbestos abatement, decontamination of mechanical and hydraulic presses, and the partial demolition/shoring of a building.

For a more detailed description, see Polrep No. 1 (Initial).

### IV. RESPONSE INFORMATION

#### A. Situation

##### 1. Removal Actions to Date

1/12/98 - 1/17/98: On January 14, three truckloads of PCB contaminated kiln and carbon powder weighing approximately 66 tons was transported off site and disposed of at a permitted landfill. To date, fourteen truckloads with a combined weight of approximately 325 tons have left the site. On January 15, four roll-off boxes of PCB contaminated debris totalling 100 cubic yards were transported off site and disposed of at a permitted landfill. To date, 37 roll-off boxes of with a combined volume of 965 cubic yards have been shipped off the site.

ERRS continued to place scrap metal into roll-off dumpsters for salvaging. During this work week, two roll-off dumpsters of scrap metal were shipped off site for salvaging to recover funds which will be readministered into the ERRS project ceiling.



On January 15, an informational meeting was held for all asbestos abatement subcontractors (removal, air monitoring, and analytical). The scope of work for asbestos abatement activities was discussed in detail at this time.

## 2. Enforcement

The PRP Search for the site has been initiated and enforcement efforts are continuing.

## B. Planned Removal Actions

ERRS will continue transportation and disposal of PCB contaminated debris, kiln dust, and carbon powder during the week of January 19. Asbestos abatement activity will commence on January 26, 1998.

## C. Key Issues

N/A

## V. COST INFORMATION AS OF JANUARY 19, 1998 \*

ERRS Contractor	\$	2,244,511
START Contractor Costs		147,762
Intramural Costs		234,360
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,626,633</b>
Project Ceiling	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,990,000</b>
Percent of Project Funds Remaining		56.1%

\* The above accounting of expenditures is an estimate based on figures known to the OSC at the time this report was written. The cost accounting provided in this report does not necessarily represent an exact monetary figure which the government may include in any claim for cost recovery.

## VI. DISPOSITION OF WASTES

Wastestream	Medium	Quantity	Containment Migration Control	Treatment	Disposal
PCB (UN3077)	Contaminated debris	965 cubic yards	Consolidated & Covered	Landfilled	Chemical Waste Management Model City, NY
PCB (UN2315)	Kiln dust & spent carbon	~ 325 tons	Consolidated & Covered	Landfilled	Chemical Waste Management Model City, NY

## VII. SALVAGEABLE MATERIAL

Material	Quantity	Estimated Value
Scrap Metal	89.56 tons	\$ 5,544.40

\* This table will be updated as recovered funds are received from Universal Empire Salvaging Company.